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Title: A DATA PROCESSING APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR D=2

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Specification	20
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Enclosures:

- Preliminary amendment, 5 pages.
- A certified copy of the priority application will be filed at a later date.
- Postcard.

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